

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 4, 6 , 7, 12 and 14 are in the application, of which Claims 1, 7, 12 and 14 are the independent claims.

The claims have been amended in keeping with the interview conducted on April 8, 2004, during which the Examiner indicated that such an amendment would overcome the cited references.

Reconsideration and early passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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